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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown on the marked-up copy following this amendment to read as follows:

3. (Amended) A method for releasing the flavor component from the flavor precursor composition as set forth in Claim 1 wherein the sulfide bond in said flavor precursor compound A or B is cleaved using a reducing compound.

4. (Amended) A method for releasing the flavor component from the flavor precursor composition as set forth in Claim 1 wherein the sulfide bond in said flavor